

Elviretta Walker, \$450; Ralph L. P. Wallace, \$8,000; Mabel Warnecke, \$408.70; Lucille Watson, \$200.40;

Jedediah E. Weeks, \$383.10; Charles W. Westerkamp, \$3,900; William S. Weyant, \$1,278.65; Othello J. Wheatley, \$1,903.80; M. M. Whitaker, \$2,500; Julia Wiarda, \$1,088.20; Royce A. Wight, \$2,402.43; Frank E. Williams, \$1,049.60; Phyllis A. Williams, \$299; Albert E. Willis, \$149.50; Richard P. Wilson, \$1,263.50; Ruby E. Wilson, \$219.45; Stanley F. Wilson, \$1,319; Ralph E. Winchell, \$62; Francis H. Winget, \$80; Yvonne A. Wood, \$2,500; Wilford S. Wright, \$1,675.75; Anita E. Yale, \$750; Paul J. Zehngraft, \$2,300;

H. Lamar Aldrich, \$221.58; Donald R. Auguston, \$339; Charles D. Binning, \$222.50; Charles R. Boblits, \$215; John Bottmer, \$618.70; Lloyd R. Bradshaw, \$1,675.92; Ebenezer Breingan, \$399; Gus J. Chalakis, \$676.50; C. B. Cochran, \$278.75; Frank L. Conley, \$844; Warren D. Conrad, \$221.85; Walter K. Daub, \$876; Harvey A. Denison, \$760.40; Virginia L. Embree, \$434.40; Alvin C. Enke, \$192; Daniel J. Fogarty, \$3,050;

Sidney T. Gillispie, \$110; Russell Gommel, \$766; Attilio F. Gramolini, \$1,586.63; Charles W. Hans, \$63.40; Landon H. Heffner, \$125; Henry C. Heimann, \$55.15; J. S. Henry, \$769.60; E. Arlene Hilyard, \$929; Lanier C. Howell, \$287.60; Robert C. Jaska, \$379.50; Glenn H. Johnson, \$162; Dwight Keneagy, \$311; Thomas J. Kitts, \$553.20; Paul R. Lee, \$2,300.34; Stanley C. Mathay, \$1,067.90; Raymond D. Meade, \$711.25; Byron W. Moore, \$1,046; Weston J. Naef, \$613.07; Robert C. Nash, \$1,199; Richard L. Newhafer, \$1,086; Edwin L. Niska, \$142.25; Sheridan Osborne, \$550.65; John W. Patton, \$349.90; J. G. Petrison, \$1,838.42; Lorence F. Pries, \$138.15; K. Nagaraja Rao, \$421.50;

Marshall M. Reynolds, \$1,271; Mabel A. Robertson, \$279.30; W. K. Robertson, \$260; Joseph Sabacky, \$691.11; James R. Schermerhorn, \$661.25; John F. Schmidt, Junior, \$90; Lester M. Scott, \$1,475; David G. Shaner, \$217; John Skory, \$121; John F. Snyder, \$987; Charles B. Stewart, \$855.63; John N. Story, \$49.10; Edward L. Traylor, \$3,300; Patrick L. Urie, \$169; Charles E. Van Landingham, \$143.10; Edward L. Waldee, \$337.50; George A. Walker, \$505.50; David P. Williams, \$724; Joseph A. Zelinka, \$1,600: *Provided*, That no part of the amount appropriated in this Act in excess of 10 per centum thereof shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered in connection with this claim, and the same shall be unlawful, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$1,000.

Approved August 31, 1954.

Private Law 956

CHAPTER 1201

AN ACT

August 31, 1954
[H. R. 6451]

To provide for the conveyance of certain public lands in Utah to the occupants of the land.

Utah.
Conveyance of
certain lands.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subject to the requirements of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall issue patents to the occupants of the public lands in sections 9, 10, 15, 16, 21, 22, 27, and 28, township 8 north, range 2 west, Salt Lake meridian, Utah, upon payment of the appraised value of the lands at the date of the appraisal, exclusive of any increased value resulting from the

development or improvement of the lands by the occupants or their predecessors in interest. In such appraisal, the Secretary of the Interior shall consider and give full effect to the equities of the occupants.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Interior shall issue a patent for such land to any occupant only if the occupant (1) files an application to purchase the lands within one year after the enactment of this Act; (2) makes a showing satisfactory to the Secretary that he or his predecessors in interest were bona fide occupants of the tract and had adverse possession for seven years prior to the approval of the plat survey of the lands; and (3) pays the price of the lands, as required by the Secretary.

SEC. 3. Nothing in this Act shall be construed as affecting adversely valid existing rights to public lands.

SEC. 4. Any money paid by the occupants shall be covered into the reclamation fund for credit against the construction costs of the Weber Basin project, Utah. Any patent issued under this Act shall contain a reservation granting to the United States the right to repurchase the patented land, if the Secretary should find that such land is needed by the United States and the Weber Basin project, upon tender of payment for such land of the amount paid by the patentee to the United States under this Act plus the reasonable value of the improvements thereon in place at the time the land is patented. Such tender and payment shall be made from the reclamation fund.

Approved August 31, 1954.

Private Law 957

CHAPTER 1202

AN ACT

For the relief of Colonel Samuel J. Adams, and others.

August 31, 1954
[H. R. 6808]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That relief is hereby granted the various disbursing officers of the United States hereinafter mentioned in amounts shown herein, or in such lesser amounts as may be outstanding on the date of enactment of this Act, said amounts representing amounts of erroneous payments made by said disbursing officers of public funds for which said officers are accountable as listed in and under the circumstances described in identical letters of August 1, 1953, the Department of Defense to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and chairman, Committee on Armed Services, United States Senate, and that the Comptroller General of the United States be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to credit in the accounts of the following officers of the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps the amounts set opposite their names, or such lesser amounts as may be outstanding on the date of enactment of this Act:

Colonel Samuel J. Adams, Finance Corps, Army (now retired), \$80.26; Colonel Walter E. Ahearn, Finance Corps, Army, \$22; Lieutenant Colonel Edwin Louis Brinckmann, Finance Corps, Army, \$225; Lieutenant Colonel Lloyd Burton, Finance Corps, Army, \$146.69; Major Michael Cohen, Finance Corps, Army, \$177.13; Lieutenant Colonel Charles Wesley Conklin, Finance Corps, Army (now retired), \$70; Lieutenant Colonel John Hamilton Davin, Finance Corps, Army, \$2,015.47; Lieutenant Colonel Ernest Glenn Doyel, Finance Corps, Army, \$233.56; Major Harris Clark Eichen, Finance Corps, Army, \$60.25; Major Horace Napoleon Elkins, Junior, Finance Corps, Army, \$78.72; Colonel John W. Faulds, Finance Corps, Army, \$465.15;

Col. Samuel J.
Adams and others.